

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending in this application, and have been amended to define more clearly what Applicants regard as their invention; these changes are for the purposes of clarification only, and no change in scope is either intended or believed to be effected. Claims 1, 2, and 6 are in independent form.

Applicants note with appreciation the indication that Claims 1-15 would be allowable if the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph is overcome. Because it is believed that this rejection has been overcome, for the reasons set forth below, Claims 1-15 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

At paragraph 3 of the Office Action, the specification was objected to for not including section headings. The specification has been amended to insert such section headings. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the specification is respectfully requested.

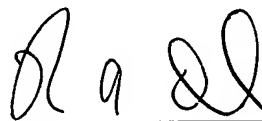
Claims 1-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite.

The claims have been carefully reviewed and amended as deemed necessary to ensure that they conform fully to the requirements of Section 112, second paragraph, with special attention to the points raised in paragraph 5 of the Office Action. It is believed that the rejection under Section 112, second paragraph, has been obviated, and its withdrawal is therefore respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, all of the claims believed to be in condition for allowance, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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